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SUBJECT: DETENTION OF LEONARD SHONGOLO

1. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED INQUIRY FROM CONGRESSMAN
FRANK WOLF ON BEHALF OF LEONARD SHONGOLO. HE REPORTEDLY
WAS DETAINED BY SECURITY POLICE ON FEBRUARY 10, AND IS
BEING HELD INCOMMUNICADO WITHOUT CHARGE OR TRIAL. HE IS
SAID TO BE A FORMER POLITICAL DETAINEE, WHO HAS BEEN
RESTRICTED SINCE EARLY 1980 UNDER AN ORDER ISSUED BY THE
SOUTH AFRICAN ADMINISTRATOR-GENERAL.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION POSTS CAN DEVELOP
ON SHONGOLO'S SITUATION, FOR USE IN RESPONDING TO
CONGRESSMAN WOLF.

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END OF MESSAGE

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State Dept. review completed

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